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## THE MUSE.

### THE ROSE AND THE TULIP.

A rose once near a tulip grew,  
And balm odours round it threw:  
The petals of the one were rare,  
And still the other's leaves as fair;  
Or furrow haply to the sight  
Of many a young and thoughtless knight;  
For where one felt the former's power,  
Numbers admired the latter flower.

The rose, it sickened, drooped, and died—  
As did the tulip by its side:  
But that which flourished once so bright  
Had lost all beauty, form, and light.  
Whereas the "Queen of flowers" retained  
A fragrance, though its tints had faded  
And won in death a lasting name,  
When blighted was the tulip's fame!

And thus with worthless head and heart,  
Man oft hath played the tulip's part;  
Whilst virtue, schooled to meet with foes,  
Hath lived unnoticed like the rose;  
But mark this form that pleased the eye,  
When death hath hung mere beauty by—  
How void of virtue to the mind  
That leaves a me priceless worth behind.

### THE APRIL SHOWER.

Oh! wistly the April-shower comes down  
O'er hill and valley and snow-white town;  
Swiftly it comes o'er the bright green meads,  
With rain for the blossoms and scattered seeds.

And the weeds bloom and the sprouting leaves  
And the wash-tubs waiting beneath the eaves  
Darkening the air o'er the forest vast,  
The large round drops are falling fast!

Merely swinging the flowers that blow  
Mid the boughs above and the weeds below,  
And bending the bushes and springing grain  
On the hill side green and the distant plain.

It comes! it comes! it rains it rains  
And tinkle upon the running spring,  
Gracefully stirring the seeds that look  
It clatters down on the meadow brook,  
And dimpling the pools that darkly dyed,  
Stand mid the grass by the highway side.

It comes like the pattering of angels' feet,  
And the air of the forest grows fresh and sweet;  
Softly and gently it glides away  
From the setting light of the April day,  
And dim in the smoky haze are seen  
The waving trees and the mountains green.

It passes away with a pleasant sound,  
And voices awake in the fields around;  
There's a chirping of insects amid the grass,  
And a singing of birds as the rain-drops pass,  
While over the woods on the upland height  
Burst forth in meek glory the evening light.

So passeth the terror of death away  
From the good old man on his dying day;  
And thus when bitterest tears are shed,  
And the heavy hours are dark with dread,  
Brightening the gloom of his evening sky  
Shall the sunlight stream on his aching eye.

PORT WAYNE SENTINEL.  
We are indebted to the Hon. H. L. Ellsworth, for a copy of a valuable pamphlet issued by the National Agricultural Society, on the mode of manufacturing sugar from Corn stalks. We present our readers with the most interesting part of the pamphlet, and bespeak for it a careful perusal, especially from our agricultural readers. If sugar can be made from the corn stalk as abundantly as here represented, the subject is well worthy the attention of all interested in the prosperity of the western country.

### MODE OF MANUFACTURING SUGAR FROM THE CORN STALK.

BY WILLIAM WEBB, OF WILMINGTON, DEL.

The most profitable application of labor is a desideratum too frequently overlooked or disregarded by those who attempt the introduction of new manufactures into a country. All calculations of advantage which is to result from the production of any article, must be made with due regard to this point, or practice will prove them to be erroneous.

Fully impressed with this truth, the most rigid examination is invited into every thing now offered, so that, as far as possible, we may arrive at a correct decision respecting the real value of the proposed manufacture.

In common with many others, I have felt considerable interest in the plan for extending the cultivation of sugar in temperate climates, and have made many experiments: first, upon the beet, and recently upon Maize or Indian Corn, in the hope of discovering some mode by which the desired end might be attained. The results from the latter plant have been extremely encouraging.

The manufacture of sugar from it compared with that from beet, offers many advantages. It is more simple, and less liable to failure. The machinery is less expensive, and a given space of ground is less required. The quantity of sugar produced, besides being of better quality.

An examination into the nature and productive powers of these two plants, will show that no other results could have been reasonably expected. It is a well established fact, that every variety of production found in plants is derived from the sap. It is also ascertained that the principal substance found in the sap or juice of many vegetables is sugar. Therefore, the amount of saccharine matter produced by any plant of this description, may be estimated from an analysis of the fruit, seed, &c., of such plant, when ripe.

The grain yielded by corn, and the seed from beet in the second summer of its growth are nothing more than this sap or juice, which is created by the process of vegetation, and presented to our view in another form.

Now, as it is contrary to the economy of nature to suppose that there should be any loss of nutritive matter in this change of

sap into seed or grain, does it not follow that there must be the same difference in the quantity of sugar produced by the two plants as there is between the nutritive properties of beet seed and corn?

The juice of the Maize contains sugar, acid, and a gummy mucilaginous matter that forms the gum. From the experiment of Gay Lussac, Thénard, Kirchoff, and others, it appears that starch, sugar and gum are extremely similar in composition, and may be as readily converted into each other, by chemical process, as they are by the operations of nature. For example, starch in diluted sulphuric acid, for thirty-six hours, is converted into sugar of greater weight than the starch made use of. This result goes to show that every pound of starch found in the seed of a plant, has required for its production at least one pound of sugar in the form of sap. If it is objected that this deduction is too theoretical to be admitted, it may be answered that experiment, so far as it has gone, has fully attested its correctness.

The raw juice of Maize, when cultivated for sugar, marks 10° on the saccharometer, while the average of cane juice (as I am informed) is not higher than 8°.

From 9-3-4 qts. (dry measure) of the former, I have obtained 4 pounds 6 ounces of syrup, concentrated to the point suitable for crystallization. The proportion of crystallizable sugar appears to be larger than is obtained from cane juice in Louisiana. This is accounted for by the fact, that our climate ripens corn perfectly, while, it but rarely if ever happens that cane is fully matured. In some cases the syrup has crystallized so completely, that less than one sixth part of molasses remained. This, however, only happened after it had stood from one to two months. There is reason to believe that if the plant were fully ripe, and the process of manufacture perfectly performed, that the syrup might be entirely crystallized without forming any molasses.

This perfection in the manufacture cannot however be attained with the ordinary apparatus. Without any other means for pressing out the juice than a small hand-mill, it is impossible to say how great a quantity of sugar may be produced on an acre.

The experiments have been directed more to ascertain the saccharine quality of the corn stalk, than the amount a given quantity of land will produce; but the calculations made from trials on a small scale, leave no room to doubt that the quantity of sugar will be from 800 to 1,000 pounds.

This amount will not appear unreasonable, when it is considered that the juice of corn is as rich as that of cane, and the weight of green produce at least equal. Mr. Ellsworth, in one of his publications, states as the result of actual weighing and measuring, that corn sown broadcast yielded five pounds of green stalks per square foot; this is at the rate of 108 1/2 tons to the acre.

My attention was first directed to Maize as a material for sugar, by observing that in some stalks the juice was extremely sweet while in others it was weak and watery.

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The molasses, after standing as before mentioned, from one to two months, became filled with small crystals, which, on being drained, exhibited a peculiar kind of sugar; the grain is small, and somewhat inferior in appearance, but still it is as sweet and agreeable to the taste as can be desired. A small sample of this sugar I have brought forward for your inspection. This product from what was thought to be molasses, is a new

and unexpected discovery, and discloses an important fact in the investigation of this subject. It shows the superior degree of perfection attained by the corn plant compared with the cane in any part of the union. It is generally understood that the latter cannot be fully matured in any except a tropical climate, and the proportion of molasses obtained from any plant, is greater or less according to the immaturity or perfection of its growth.

The sweetness of the corn stalk is a matter of universal observation; our forefathers, in the revolutionary struggle, resorted to it as a means to furnish a substitute for West India sugar. The expressed juice, and exerted their ingenuity in efforts to bring it to a crystallized state, but we have no account of any successful operation of the kind. In fact the bitter and nauseous properties contained in the joints of large stalks, render the whole amount of juice from them fit only to produce an inferior kind of molasses. I found on experiment, that by cutting out the joints and crushing the remaining part of the stalk, that sugar might be made, but still of an inferior quality. The molasses, of which there was a large proportion, was bitter and disagreeable. From one to two feet of the lower part of these stalks was full of juice, but the balance as it approached the top, became dryer, and at length almost insipid.

From the foregoing experiments we see, that in order to obtain the purest juice, and in the greatest quantity, we must adopt a mode of cultivation, which will prevent the large and luxuriant growth of the stalk.

As we are only upon the threshold of this inquiry, many other improvements may be expected in the mode of operation; for example it may be that cutting off the tassels as soon as it appears on the plant, will prevent the formation of grain, and prove a preferable means for affecting that object.

On the whole, there appears ample encouragement for perseverance; every step in the investigation has increased the probability of success—no evidence having been discovered why it should not succeed as well, if not better, on a large scale, than it has done on a small one. In the first place, it has been satisfactorily proved, that sugar of excellent quality, suitable for common use without refining, may be made from the stalk of Maize. 2d, That the juice of this plant when cultivated in a certain manner, contains saccharine matter remarkably free from foreign substances. 3d, The quantity of this juice (even supposing we had had no other evidence about it) is sufficiently demonstrated by the great amount of nutritive grain which it produces in the natural course of vegetation.

It is needless to expatiate on the vast advantages which would result from the introduction of this manufacture in our country. Grain is produced in the West, in such overflowing abundance, that the markets become glutted, and inducements are offered to employ the surplus produce in distillation. This business is now becoming distasteful, while in others it is weak and watery.

On examination it appeared, that the latter had borne large and perfect ears of grain, while on the former, these were either small in size, or entirely wanting. The natural conclusion from this observation was, that if the ears were taken off in their embryo state, the whole quantity of saccharine matter produced by the process of vegetation, would be preserved in the stalk, from which it might be extracted when the plant was matured.

But the idea occurred too late in the season to test it by experiment. A few stalks, however were found, which from some cause, had borne no grain; these were bruised with a mallet, and the juice extracted by a lever press. Some lime was then added, and the fermentation, evaporation, &c., began and finished in a single vessel. By these simple means, sugar of fair quality was produced, which was sent to the horticultural exhibition of our society in 1840.

I have since been informed, through Mr. Ellsworth, that M. Pallas of France had discovered in 1839, that the saccharine properties of Maize were increased by merely taking off the ear in its embryo state.

An experiment, however, which I instituted to determine the value of this plan, resulted in disappointment; the quantity of sugar produced was not large enough to render it an object. The reasons of this failure will be sufficiently obvious on stating the circumstances. It was found that taking the ear off a large stalk, such as is produced by the common mode of cultivation, inflicted a considerable wound upon the plant, which injured its health, and of course lessened its productive power. It was also found that the natural disposition to form grain was so strong, that several successive ears were thrown out, by which labor was increased, and the injuries of the plant multiplied.

Lastly, it appeared,







# LETTERS FROM INDIANA—NO. III.

FOR THE SENTINEL.

FORT WAYNE, April 28, 1842.

MY DEAR FRIEND—

When I address almost any one else, I would avoid the subject I promised to speak of in this letter. But to you, who have always been in the habit of attending church three times a day on the Sabbath, to say nothing of the evening meetings, on week days, and who have a family of children to be educated, the subject of our churches and schools, is one of too deep an interest to be passed over in silence.

We have here, our full quota of religious denominations. In the New States, settled as they have been by emigrants from almost every quarter of the globe, there is probably a greater variety of religious sects, greater boldness and independence of thought upon religious subjects, than exist in States that have been long settled. In Fort Wayne we have a Presbyterian, Catholic, Methodist, Baptist and Lutheran society, all of which have regular preachers. Some time ago, an effort was made to organize an Episcopal church, but it was unsuccessful. We are not yet old enough for a society of this kind. In other words, there are not people enough in this county, who are constitutionally fitted to be Episcopalians, to support a preacher of this denomination. By this remark, you will call to mind the opinion which I have frequently advanced in conversation with you, that different people seem to be fitted by their peculiar temperaments, to be Presbyterians or Episcopalians, Methodists or Baptists, Calvinistic or Liberal. In addition to these societies, which have regular preachings in this place, there is a gentleman of superior mind, formerly a regular preacher, and now engaged in teaching, who preaches in his school room. He is not, I think, connected with any regular christian denomination, and does not hold fellowship with our other religious societies. You will thus perceive, that if you should come to this country, you will meet with no difficulty in finding a society with which you can sympathize in religious sentiment. The Presbyterian, Methodist, and Catholic societies are respectable in point of numbers. Their churches are pretty well filled on Sundays, and a good degree of interest in religious matters, is manifested by our people generally. Our citizens are not as much a church-going people as those of New York and New England, but they are by no means a class of infidels and scorers. We are not priest-ridden, but there is among the mass of our people, who are not members of churches, a deep respect for religion; and although there is here more riding, visiting and sporting on the Sabbath than would be tolerated in some communities, I am still of the opinion, that there is among us as much of the true benign spirit of christianity, as exists in places where the forms of religion are more observed, and the influence of the clergy is more powerful.

You request me to give particulars in regard to the principal of our religious associations, and the peculiar qualifications, and characteristics of their preachers. I feel some delicacy in undertaking this task, but as you seem to think, that "public teachers are public property," and are very anxious for information upon these topics, I will endeavor to comply with your wishes, even at the risk of giving offence to those I speak of. As you have been raised in the bosom of the Presbyterian Church, whatever may be your opinions now, I will commence with the society which is connected with that body of christians in faith and discipline.

The Presbyterian society in Fort Wayne is about as large as any other in the place, and probably numbers among its worshippers, a larger proportion of our wealthy citizens, than any other. It was organized many years ago, and has gradually increased in strength, as our town and county have increased in population, without having been enlarged by those religious excitements, which, in other places have brought so many servants of Satan into the christian fold.

The present pastor, Mr. R., is a brother of the celebrated Abolitionist, Oliver, of that name, who has probably done more than any other individual, to render slavery unpopular in the west. Our pastor is like-wise an abolitionist—strong and ardent in his feelings of opposition to the institution of slavery, and bold and independent in the expression of his views on this delicate subject. He has a fine head, according to the principles of phrenology; and a countenance that indicates energy and decision, rather than mildness and benignity. In point of talent, he deservedly stands high, but he is not, I apprehend, destined ever to be very popular as a preacher, or eminently successful in winning souls to Christ. You cannot hear him preach many times, without feeling, that he has mistaken his vocation. Nature intended him for a lawyer, and his reputation would have been higher, had he not done violence to her intentions. His mind is strictly a legal one. Keen, clear, discriminating. He can refute and split hairs, and draw distinctions in a manner that would have given him a high rank among special pleaders. In debate he is always ready, ingenious and forcible; but as a preacher he seems to lack feeling, sympathy, heart. He labors under the great mistake, of supposing that sinners are to be convicted of sin, and brought to embrace the terms of the gospel, by argument! Every thing is to be affected by the cogency of his logic. His sermons, therefore, are chiefly arguments, and (like many others who have the reputation of being able reasoners,) in his

anxiety to prove every thing, he not unfrequently spends much time in proving positions that are sufficiently clear in their very proposition. Argument is his forte. He imagines that he can overcome error, and make converts by the force and accuracy of his reasoning, and without any appeal to the feelings and affections. So inveterate is his habit in this respect, that his addresses on funeral occasions even, are chiefly argumentative. At a time, when the mourner is crushed under his afflictions when all the better feelings of nature are awakened,—when the wall of selfishness and pride and self confidence, which has dammed up and shut in early and generous affections is broken down, and the heart is open to gentle and affectionate appeals, as it stands in need of the solace and comfort which the world cannot give; labored argument to prove that providence does not afflict without cause, nor punish but for good, seems to me to be inappropriate and useless. The truths, argumentative preachers are never very successful in the ministry. People seldom can be reasoned into the church. They may be persuaded to cast off the chains that bind them to their vices, but they are rarely induced to do this by the force of argument;—their feelings must be touched,—their hearts warmed,—their affections excited,—before they will cast off their allegiance to the devil, and enroll their names in the army of the cross.

I would not have you understand, however, that Mr. R. is never eloquent, or that his eloquence is only the eloquence of argument. He is powerful in denouncing the judgments of God upon his impetuous hearers. It might be said that he is eloquent in denunciation. He has none of the "suaviter in modo." There is no tenderness in his discourses. The love of the Saviour, the compassion and kindness of the Father, are subjects which he rarely touches. But in holding up before his hearers, the terrors of the law—in describing the vengeance of the Almighty, and the sufferings of the damned, he is powerfully eloquent. He seems to speak as though these subjects were congenial to his mind. In touching upon these, his language becomes more than usually vigorous, his gestures more than usually energetic. His eye flashes, his lip is compressed, and I cannot at such times, for the life of me, escape the impression, that he would like to be the instrument by which the vials of divine wrath should be poured upon the heads of the unconverted. This, however, I presume, not the case, as he has the reputation of being an amiable man.

In his public services, the Bible is never read. You, who have never attended a religious service at church, in which the reading of the scriptures did not constitute an important part of the regular worship, will notice this omission with pain and regret. I do not know what his reasons are, for departing from the good old protestant practice in this respect, but it is in my judgment a departure which is not sanctioned by the word of God, and is not calculated to strengthen, in his audience, their reverence for the oracles of truth. There is one consideration, however, that reconciles me to this omission. His manner of reading is perfectly intolerable. He murders his hymns; reading them, and it is perhaps well enough that he does not commit the same violence upon the sacred volume.

As a general thing, too, his sermons and prayers are too long. He generally preaches a full hour, and no man can do this, week after week, to the same audience. I leave not how talented he may be, without becoming wearisome and tedious. In prayer he is not gifted. In this exercise as in some others, he appears to lack feeling; he is cold, formal and dull. There is not apparently with him, that glowing out of the heart towards his maker,—that deep reverence,—that earnest supplication,—that humble submission, connected with that spirit of lofty confidence in the mercy and kindness of the Almighty, which used to distinguish the prayers of our good old pastor, and which rendered them so touchingly delightful.

Mr. R. is a bold and independent thinker, and yet he is not at all liberal towards those who differ with him in sentiment.—Contending himself for the largest exercise of private opinion, he does not appear willing to extend to others the same right that he claims for himself. He does not seem to be aware that our minds are differently constituted, and that what appears to one man to be pure truth, may appear to another, equally honest, to be unadulterated error;—that our habits, our constitutions, our heads are all different, and that, while such is the case, it is unreasonable to expect uniformity of sentiment upon subjects, that are so difficult to be understood as many of the metaphysical doctrines of christianity. Himself a man who is not to be driven, by fear or favor, from the advocacy of what he considers truth and justice, he is nevertheless, intolerant and uncharitable. Had he been a Protestant in the days of Queen Mary, he would have been a martyr;—had he been a Catholic in Spain, during the existence of the inquisition, he would doubtless have been an inquisitor. So inconsistent is human nature, so frail and erring are our best minds. Still, I think you will like him. He is courteous and unassuming in his manners—easy and affable in his intercourse with his fellow men. In the discharge of his parochial duties he does not assume any peculiar sanctity of character, nor obtrude the subject of religion upon those who are not disposed to consider it. He is a man of decided talents, and will make his influence

felt in any community in which he may be placed.

Trusting that you will pardon me for devoting so large a portion of this letter to a single individual, and that he will excuse me if I have done him injustice, and his society forgive me if I have done him more than justice, I remain, until next week,

Your friend,

A. B.

## FORT WAYNE SENTINEL.

SATURDAY, APRIL 30, 1842.

To CORRESPONDENTS.—Will Monsieur le Capitaine favor us with the New York Mirror, containing his original communication, 'the Swiss Convict?' It would be easier to read in print, and would, besides, save him the trouble of transcribing the balance of the story.

The Wheat Crop in this region looks unusually promising. Notwithstanding the open winter we have experienced, and the frequent thawings and freezings to which the grain has been exposed, we believe that very little, if any, has been injured. We are pleased to notice that a much larger quantity of wheat than usual has been sown in this county, in anticipation of an eastern market being opened by the completion of the Wabash and Erie Canal. This is a good move on the part of our farmers, and will do more to cure the hard times and scarcity of money so universally complained of, than all the measures of relief which could be devised by Whig Legislatures and Congresses, if they were to hold extra sessions every year.

Flour is down to \$3.50 in Cincinnati, with a probability of a still further decline in price, as large quantities are daily arriving, and no demand. In New York, also, flour is falling. If any of our farmers have wheat on hand they had better turn it into cash as soon as possible. It cannot keep at its present price here much longer, when it is falling in all other markets.

Horse Thief Arrested.—On Thursday night week between eight and nine o'clock, a valuable sorrel horse was stolen by a fellow named Henry Wilson, from the pasture of Nelson McLain, Esq., on the Riga Road, 11 miles south of Fort Wayne. Mr. McLain started next day in pursuit of the rascal, and fortunately getting on his track, arrested him on Sunday, at the Hlaw Patch in Lagrange Co. He had sold the horse to a man named Bray, living in Noble Co. for \$57. Bray, of course, gave up the horse, and accompanied Mr. McLain and the thief to Fort Wayne, as a witness. After examination, Wilson was committed for horse-stealing.

It appearing in evidence that Bray had paid \$50 of the purchase money in counterfeit 5s and 10s on the New York Bank, he was immediately arrested for passing counterfeit money; but was discharged on the ground that the offence was not committed in this county, and consequently was not within the cognizance of our magistrates. Whether Bray has been since arrested in Noble Co., or if counterfeiting is not there considered a punishable offence, we have not been informed.

HOME LEAGUES.—The Whigs are trying hard to raise an excitement in favor of a protective tariff, the effect of which is to tax the farmers and all other consumers of manufactured articles for the benefit of eastern manufacturers. The cry of "protecting domestic industry," is very plausible, and might entrap many who did not fairly comprehend the matter, to side with the Whigs. Let the farmers beware how they suffer themselves to be again duped. Let them remember the many fine promises made by the Whigs previous to the last election, and ask themselves how many have been fulfilled. The only hope and chief aim of the Whigs is to raise an excitement, and create an enthusiasm in favor of some hobby on which they can again ride into power. Last election it was "change," and "retrenchment and reform," and "Tippecanoe and Tyler too." Now it is to "protect," and "domestic industry." Home Leagues are to supersede Tippecanoe clubs. We would caution the unwary against being a second time galled by these devices.

Many marvellous stories are now published to show the mischievous tendency of allowing people to buy their goods where they can get them cheapest. The following is a fair specimen of them. A vessel lately arrived in Boston from Havre, having on board 5,236 pairs of French boots. This fact was immediately blazoned from Maine to Louisiana—from Boston to Fort Wayne—to prove that, without protection, the American shoemaker must be driven from the market, as the French article could be sold for one-half what they could be made here for, because wages are one-half less.

A respectable gentleman in Boston, seeing the statement, called on the importers, and inquired at what price they sold the imported boots. They informed him, they could not be afforded for less than eight dollars a pair. In answer to another inquiry, they said they could sell American boots of the same quality for four or four and a half dollars! But as the French boots were rather handsome finished than the American, the fashionable home league gentlemen preferred paying double price for them.

This is a fair sample of the tricks resorted to by the Whigs to enlist the popular feeling on their side. Further comment is needless.

Daniel Webster's Credit.—At a recent sale of the assets of the U. S. Bank by the sheriff in New York, a lot of notes against sundry individuals, amounting in the aggregate to \$35,076 91, were sold for \$4001. Amongst the notes were two against Daniel Webster—one, without endorser, for \$12,750, and another endorsed by J. S. Jones, his brother-in-law, for \$5,000 75. In the credit of the "Godlike" fellow who notes for nearly \$13,000 will only fetch \$400, even when \$20,000 was the notes of James Watson Webb, Joe Hoyle, deen's letter, distinctly denounces any such

and other Whig worthies, are thrown into the bargain! We need not wonder that the capital of the old monster was so totally squandered if this is the way its business was transacted. Neither need Mr. Webster's zeal for the United States Bank create any surprise. It is not every bank that would accommodate him to the tune of \$12,750 without endorser.

More Whig Consistency.—Notwithstanding the holy horror in which the veto power is held by the Whigs, Seward, the Whig Governor of New York, exercises it more frequently than any other man in the Union. During the past week we have received accounts of his vetoing three bills—one, for changing the mode of appointing Bank Commissioners; another, for the repeal of the bill relating to the criminal courts in New York City; and the third, to provide for the public printing.

It is amusing to see those papers which were strongest in denunciation of Tyler's vetoes, and most urgent to have the constitution so amended as to take the veto power from the President, as an odious relic of royal sovereignty, now the loudest in their hosannas to their Whig Governor, for using this obnoxious power.

Discharge of Hogan.—This braggadocio, who was arrested at Rochester for his participation in the Caroline affair, has been again discharged, for the want of evidence. So this fresh attempt to enbroid the two nations in war has failed.—We think it would be more becoming in the Canadian patriots, (at the instance of one of whom Hogan was arrested) who are enjoying the protection of an asylum in the United States, to abstain from these attempts to involve their protectors in difficulty.

If any Canadian tory should hereafter come over, and boast to Americans of his participation in that outrage, we would recommend the reference of his case to Judge Lynch. They would not covet an acquaintance with his honor so much as they do the notoriety attending a trial in other courts.

Hogan, we understand, was formerly a journeyman printer.

A second Paper.—A political paper is frequently likened to the handle of a jug—all on one side. This comparison will not hold good in the case of the Peru Gazette, which is now political on both sides. The original editor, J. B. Scott, is a Whig, and advocates the coin-skin doctrines on the inside of his paper; while a Mr. John H. Scott holds forth, on the outside, the good, old-fashioned Democratic principles. We presume it is intended, by this novel arrangement, to render the paper acceptable to all parties.

There is another paper in this state, the Rockville Olive Branch, published on the same plan. CONGRESS.—The Loan Bill has passed the Senate, with some amendments, which have been concurred in by the House. The General Appropriation Bill has been some time under discussion, and all the amendments being now disposed of, the measure probably of its speedy passage.

We have nothing further from Texas this week.

## FOREIGN NEWS.

The Great Western has arrived in New York, bringing news from England to the 2d inst.

Sir Robert Peel has introduced into the House of Commons a measure for revising the Tariff, by which duties on most foreign goods will be materially reduced. From this it appears that the "protective policy" which many are so anxious to saddle us with, is becoming unpopular among those who have tried it. The deficiency in the revenue which this reduction of duties will create, is to be met by an income tax.—A strong opposition is manifested to the imposition of the latter tax.

The proposed reduction of duties is extremely favorable to American articles.

Turpentine which now pays 4s. 4d. per bbl. is to be reduced to 1s. Tar from 1s. 3d. per bbl. to 6d. Pot and Pearl Ashes from 6s. to 2s. Rice from 15s. to 5s. Cloveseeds from 20s. to 10s. Lard from 8s. to 2s. Salt Dec and Pork from 12s. to 8s.

In consequence of large reinforcements being required in India, six regiments have been ordered home from Canada. This does not look as though England had any expectation of difficulty with this country.

Disastrous accounts have been received from India. A body of English and native troops amounting to about 6000 had been surrounded at Cabool, by about 15 or 20,000 Afghans, and after being reduced to the last extremity by the want of provision, had in an attempt to cut their way through, been entirely destroyed.—Sir Wm. H. MacNaghten, the British Envoy, was murdered by the Afghans while attempting to treat with them for the evacuation of Cabool.—His dead body was treated with the most horrid indignities.

The most important news by the Great Western is the reply of the Earl of Aberdeen, Secretary of foreign affairs, to Mr. Stevenson's last letter on the right of search. His lordship denies in the most explicit terms, that England has any desire to claim the right of searching American vessels. All they ask is, to be permitted to ascertain whether any suspicious vessel which hoists the American flag, has a right to do so. With American vessels, whatever their destination, British cruisers have no pretension in any manner to interfere. This claim to a right of search, as it has been called, appears to be but little understood, or grossly misrepresented in this country. It has been contended by many that Great Britain claimed the right to board American vessels, impose our sealmen, and practice the enormities that led to the late

contemplated assumption of power by the English government, and we think, proves that there is no probability of a war arising out of this question, as many have contended, or even of any serious difficulty in its adjustment.

The undersigned again expresses as he has already done, in the most explicit terms, any right on the part of the British Government to search American vessels in time of peace. The right of search, except when specially conceded by treaty, is a purely belligerent right, and can have no existence on the high seas during peace. The undersigned apprehends, however, that the right of search is not confined to the verification of the nationality of the vessel, but also extends to the object of the voyage and the nature of the cargo. The sole purpose of the British cruisers is to ascertain whether the vessels they meet with are really American or not. The right asserted has, in truth, no resemblance to the right of search either in principle or practice. It is simply a right to satisfy the party who has a legitimate interest in knowing the truth that the vessel is what its colors announce. This right we concede as freely as we exercise. The British cruisers are not instructed to detain American vessels under any circumstances whatever; on the contrary, they are ordered to abstain from all interference with them, be they slave or otherwise. But where reasonable suspicion exists that the American flag has been abused for the purpose of covering the vessel with another nation, it would appear scarcely credible, had it not been manifest by the repeated protests of our representative that the Government of the United States, which has guaranteed and abolished the trade itself, should object to the adoption of such means as are indispensably necessary for ascertaining the truth.

The undersigned had contended, in his former note, that the legitimate inference from the arguments of Mr. Stevenson would practically extend even to the sanction of piracy, when the persons engaged to it should think fit to shelter themselves under the flag of the United States. Mr. Stevenson observes that this is a misapprehension on the part of the undersigned; and he declares that in denying the right of interfering with vessels under the American flag he intended to limit his objection to vessels bona fide American, and not those belonging to nations who might fraudulently have assumed the flag of the United States. But it appears to the undersigned, that his former statement is in reality a tacitly admitted confession of the defect of his ground. Must not Mr. Stevenson's confession be maintained that the flag alone is sufficient evidence of the nationality of the vessel, which, in the face of his own repeated avowals, he cannot do, or must he not confess that the application of his argument would require a proportion to every lawless and practical enterprise?

RHODE ISLAND.—Affairs in Rhode Island are approaching a crisis. We shall next week probably hear the result of the election for State officers under the people's constitution. If any attempt be made by the Royal Charter officers to interrupt the election or arrest the candidates, according to the provisions of the law lately passed, there will doubtless be a tumult, and most probably bloodshed. The Royal Governor, King, has applied to the President for aid to put down the sovereign people of his State; and the President, we regret to say, has signified his readiness to grant the request, and send an armed force to Rhode Island as soon as any insurrectionary movements take place.

We have some doubts of the expediency and even constitutionality of this measure. The constitution provides that the United States shall guarantee to every State in the Union a republican form of government. It may be reasonably doubted whether this guarantee has been fulfilled towards the people of Rhode Island, who have never yet had a constitution; but are governed by a Royal Charter, which they had no voice in forming, which they are to have no power in altering or amending, and under whose provisions the right of suffrage is monopolized by a small portion of the citizens.

## ELECTIONS.

### More Democratic Triumphs.

Every where democracy is in the ascendant. From the North, South, East, and West we receive the cheering intelligence that the people are abandoning their deceivers, and returning to the democratic ranks.

In New York City, the democratic mayor, Robert Morris has been elected by a majority of 1745 votes—being a gain of 1308 since last spring! He has a majority of 1745 votes out of 17. Two Democratic tickets for Common Council were run in several wards and the result, as might be expected, was, that both were defeated. The Whigs have carried 8 wards and the democrats 8. In such a war no returns have been made, as the canvassers were driven from the poll room, and the ballot-boxes were some time in possession of the mob. If a new election be ordered, this ward will go for the democrats; if the present election is confirmed it will give the Whigs a majority in the common council, and of course the spoils of office.

ALBANY.—Dr. B. P. Staats, the Democratic candidate, has been elected Mayor of the city of Albany by a majority of 596. Of the Common Council, the Democrats have elected 11, and the Whigs 9 Aldermen.

BROOKLYN.—Henry P. Murphy (Dem.) is elected Mayor by about 200 majority.

NEW ORLEANS.—Dennis Prieur has been elected Mayor of New Orleans. Mr. Prieur is a staunch, unwavering democrat, and his election over the federal candidate, who drew to his aid the native American party, shows that the sober second thought, in these temperance times is doing wonders.

ST. LOUIS.—This strong hold of the Whigs has been carried in gallant style by the democrats. Maguire, the democratic candidate for Mayor, has beaten Chalmers, who forty five votes; the Board of Aldermen now stand five democrats to five whigs; board of delegates, nine democrats to six whigs.

CONNECTICUT.—There is no choice for Governor in this state. Cleveland's (democratic) vote is 25,464 and Ellsworth's (whig) 23,584. Majority over Ellsworth 1,880. Abolition, conservative, and scattering 1982. Cleveland consequently lacks 62 votes of an

election. The Senate stands 14 democrats, 7 whigs. House 120 to 47.

The Legislature met at New Haven on the first Wednesday in May. As the opposition have a decided majority in both Houses they will of course fill the vacancies for Governor, &c. with their own men.

THE STEAMER INDIANA.—It is with pleasure and with pride that we are able, this week, to announce the name of the noble craft, now about finished, which has been in process of construction in this city, the past year. She is to be called the INDIANA, of Toledo. A more appropriate name could not, in our opinion, have been selected. We hail this as another link in the chain that binds our Indiana neighbors to our infant and growing city. Well may that State be proud of the honor conferred upon her, by the naming of this gallant vessel. Proud, most proud, may the Howards boys be when they have an opportunity of traveling on the noble and faultless Indiana.—Toledo Blade.

The Indiana contains a Ladies' Cabin with 12 state rooms, a Ladies' Saloon, 26 by 18 feet; a Gentlemen's Cabin 100 feet long by 14 wide, with 30 State Rooms; and the largest gentlemen's Saloon on any boat on the lake. She has also a large and commodious Steerage Cabin, containing fifty bunks, and 6 Steerage State Rooms, suitable for families of emigrants. The Indiana is between 500 and 600 tons burthen, and will be commanded by Capt. I. T. Phelan, under whose supervision her cabins have been arranged and fitted up.

PHILADELPHIA, APRIL 4.—You may probably learn, ere this reaches you, that the energetic movements of the legislature are likely to elicit the full truth from Mr. Geo. Hanford, in reference to alleged attempts, by the Bank of the United States and certain distinguished politicians, to bribe members of the late legislature. He had been called upon, Saturday afternoon, and enough was elicited to prove that the "pimping" and "swindling" business have been largely carried on under the fictitious term of "Lumber."

The following extract of a letter from Hanford, will furnish an idea of the nature and extent of the corruption:—It says, "the committee to investigate Pa. K. & E. Co., was in session this afternoon with closed doors, and they were read. The papers consist of a correspondence between D. M. Brodhead, and M. Solms, of the Movingmen Bank, from Harrisburg, to George Hanford, in Philadelphia. There appeared to be a kind of lumber speculation, (not yarn,) and the letters relate to heavy purchases of lumber, of the 'giving away' of certain jobs, and of the purchase of fresh lots of lumber. Frequent remark is made in them about the 'high price' of lumber, and frequent calls upon Mr. Hanford for 'documents' and 'arguments.'"

Understand these letters are not to be left in the hands of the committee, but that Mr. Hanford produced them to clear himself of charges of perjury that may be made after he divulges the secrets. Mr. Brodhead appears to be the principal agent in this lumber speculation.

The investigations before the last grand jury of this city, satisfied certain members that deep villainy had been practised with the funds of the United States Bank, and that the prominent individuals instrumental in using them, were Mr. G. Hanford, L. Solms, W. D. Lewis, D. M. Brodhead, James M. Porter and others. What failed to be established by the grand jury is hoped may be truly exposed through a State's evidence.

THE MORMONS.—It is very fashionable to laugh at the Mormons and Joe Smith, and it is right perhaps that such things are. But those who now laugh will probably be sorry, if they live fifty years longer, to find that Joe Smith a second Mahomet, and the Mormons one of the most peaceful and popular sects of the age. Their increase is at this time rapid, wonderful, absolutely astonishing.

If the book of Mormon be a gross literary and theological imposture, and we suppose it is, for the story of its being found on the sands, engraved on a golden tablet, cannot be well accounted for, it is one of the most ingenious impostures that ever came into this world. Its moral is excellent, and its style is that of Ossian and the Arabian Nights, both of which are excellent. It is in fact, a very useful class of society. It is on fire. In the same year, according to the best of our belief, very generally, that the port of the Secretary of the Treasury, the Mormons reject the Bible. Such is not the part of flour from the United States to Canada. They accept and confide in it, and have held their book of Mormon as auxiliary to it in such wheat—both equivalent to 327,147 Bbls. Those who would like to be well informed about these singular people, would do well to attend their meetings.—N. Y. Standard.

MR. CLAY'S RESIGNATION.—The Washington Correspondent of the New York Herald, makes the following remarks on Mr. Clay's valedictory speech and retirement from the United States Senate.—There is more truth in this poetry than in them. Mr. Clay took the floor and made another of his greatest speeches. He never speaks without having the circumstance previously announced, and rarely without two or three days notice, in order that a crowd may be gathered. He had the floor yesterday, and his purpose to speak may be generally known, and he refused to perform. Mr. Clay returns in a few days, and it is to be hoped that the system of theatrical clap trap and trickery, to cram the house, will cease when his engagement is at an end. The system of Starving has ruined the oratory of the Senate. There are at least half a dozen men on the whig side who can prepare themselves and beat Mr. Clay in a set speech any day of the year; but either one of them shall speak to empty galleries, while he, having become the fashion, will have the galleries and every avenue to the chamber crowded to suffocation, long before he is to take the floor. What is the consequence? These men, his equals in talents, and vastly superior in his equals in talents, and vastly superior in neglected and overlooked, never speak with life and enthusiasm which might be expected under other circumstances, and which is necessary to produce the highest effect. Mr. Clay has been an actor all his life.

That he has many of the elements of greatness about him, nobody will pretend to deny; but he has a very large alloy of humbug and nonsense. The affection of dislike to public life, and the constant parade of his intention to retire to his home in Kentucky for the last twenty years, is unworthy of him. This has long been a part of his game to attract public attention. In the National Intelligencer of 11th May, 1820, is the following paragraph:—

"In the course of the debate yesterday Mr. Clay (Speaker) avowed his intention shortly to retire to the pursuits of private life." The papers from that time to this, contain similar announcements one in every two or three years, and at last he has made up his mind to go. It is a fortunate thing for the country that he has come to this determination. His turbulent and dictatorial course has contributed more to bring about the present unhappy condition of the government than the conduct and influence of any other ten men in the country.

Our paper mill is doing a "smashing business," if we may judge from the immense quantity of paper it is turning out. Nor is this all. The quality of the article is hard to be beat. Indeed, we saw samples yesterday of several kinds of writing and letter, which for evenness of texture, smoothness of surface, and beauty of finish, we do not remember having ever seen surpassed, either East or West. The machinery for manufacturing and finishing is of the best quality—and the business appears to be prosecuted with that care, and at the same time with a spirit and enterprise, which cannot fail to secure the confidence and patronage of a discerning and liberal public.—Lafayette Journal.

STEAMBOAT GEORGIA BURNED.—The New Orleans Bulletin, of the 20th ult., says:—

"About five o'clock yesterday afternoon, this steamboat was discovered to be on fire, just as she was coming into port. The flames spread so rapidly as to shut out the hope of subduing them, and the boat was run ashore at Lafayette, when the crew and passengers escaped, but the cargo was destroyed and the boat burnt to the water's edge. The Georgia was from Omaha, with a cargo consisting mostly of about four hundred and fifty bales of cotton, in my bales of which, some on fire, floated part of our city. In addition to this, the Georgia having run in among floats with stock, from the upper country, some hundred and twenty to two hundred and fifty cattle, and a number of hogs, were burnt. Two boats loaded with staves, were also on fire, but were saved with trifling loss."

JUDGMENT.—In the case of Stockton and Stokes against Amos Kendall, in which the latter gave a verdict for eleven thousand dollars in damages, the Court have overruled the motion for an arrest of judgment, and given judgment against Kendall for the amount of the verdict.

We shall ask Congress for relief and perhaps take the case to the Supreme Court, as we can ask no redress of injury to property in a matter so important, and have no available means to meet this extraordinary demand, we shall for some time hold our property in jeopardy, as well as the comfort of our family at the will of the old and bad Contractor.

So much for endeavoring "faithfully to guard the interests of the public" while interfering.—Kendall's Union Democrat.

From the Cincinnati Enquirer.

## CANADA TRADE.

Some of the Home Leagues are excited and indignant at the presumption of Great Britain in proposing to lay a duty of two shillings per barrel on American flour imported into Canada. Yet these same tariff men exclaim against our Government for not raising the duties on foreign goods higher than twenty per cent.

Our wheat and flour are now shipped to the West into Canada. How much of Canadian wheat do we give duty free? About none. Joe Smith a second Mahomet, and the Mormons one of the most peaceful and popular sects of the age. Their increase is at this time rapid, wonderful, absolutely astonishing.

The duty of Canada on flour in the ports of Great Britain is only five shillings per barrel—which is so much lower than the duty exacted on the flour of other countries, that the Canada ships a great part of what she can export, engraved on a golden tablet, cannot be well accounted for, it is one of the most ingenious impostures that ever came into this world. Its moral is excellent, and its style is that of Ossian and the Arabian Nights, both of which are excellent. It is in fact, a very useful class of society. It is on fire. In the same year, according to the best of our belief, very generally, that the port of the Secretary of the Treasury, the Mormons reject the Bible. Such is not the part of flour from the United States to Canada. They accept and confide in it, and have held their book of Mormon as auxiliary to it in such wheat—both equivalent to 327,147 Bbls. Those who would like to be well informed about these singular people, would do well to attend their meetings.—N. Y. Standard.

In the last year 1841, the imports of Canadian flour into England amounted to \$38,278 barrels and of wheat 450,459 bushels, equal to 928,393 barrels flour. We have not received as yet the report of the Secretary of the Treasury for 1841, but supposing that Canada has purchased only the quantity of her exports from us, and we have here a market of Massachusetts, for about a million of barrels of flour. And this, too, is a market for Western produce, which goes by way of the canal and lakes direct to Montreal and Quebec. Here is a market for the West without duty—an entire free trade market to the amount of five millions and a half of dollars, which is about ten times as much as all the Western wheat and wheat sold in Massachusetts. Yet we pay Massachusetts twenty per cent more for the protected goods we buy of her than we receive in exchange for what we sell in Canada.—Great Britain with her dependencies, buy more of us than we buy from her; yet Massachusetts does not buy of us one tenth part of the amount we purchase of her. For Massachusetts manufactures one hundred millions per annum, of which the West with at least one sixth, or about sixteen millions—and we defy any body to show that Massachusetts consumes a million and a half of Western produce.

And now it is modestly insisted that the West shall pay Massachusetts 40 per cent extra for her manufactures, and thereby pay about six millions and a half to Massachusetts, more than we can purchase goods for of the country that buys from us. And if we to him in information, feeling themselves neglected and overlooked, never speak with life and enthusiasm which might be expected under other circumstances, and which is necessary to produce the highest effect. Mr. Clay has been an actor all his life.

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It really does seem as if some eastern people regard the West as a region designed for the consumption of every species of fabrication, not only of merchandise, but of politics.  
We observe that the high tariff men are not complaining in England will not abandon their sliding scale of duties, although the rates reduced them practically below the lowest rate of duty in our Compromise act.  
Now the tariff men themselves are the authors of the same valuation clause of the Compromise law, which they insisted on inserting contrary to the recommendation of Mr. Calhoun. And what is home valuation but a sliding scale? It is precisely the same thing—the same effect—only worse. For the sliding scale, although it regulates the duty by the market price of the commodity where it is brought in, still, as an average of that price for a considerable period throughout the whole kingdom. Whilst home valuation is made to vary in proportion to the actual value of the commodity at the time of its importation, and the particular state of the market in each place, and the diversified judgment of different sets of appraisers.  
We, as advocates of free trade, regard home valuation or sliding scale, as an evil and folly. But the home valuers make themselves exceedingly ridiculous in denouncing the very defects of English policy, which they themselves are trying to persuade this country to adopt as the height of wisdom.

**INDIAN COUNCIL—NEW TREATY.**—On Saturday last a Council was held at the Council House, on Buffalo Creek Reservation, which promises to be followed by an important result. The Council was called at the instance of the Friends, and was attended by Baltimore and Philadelphia delegations from that body, and by nearly, if not quite, all the Chiefs, on the Tonawanda, Buffalo Creek and Cattaraugus Reservations. The Friends with characteristic philanthropy aiming to effect a compromise between the supporters and opponents of the late treaty, which has been the subject of so much heated discussion, and the following propositions, which it is said, are agreeable to the Indian Council: To send the late treaty and make a new one by which the Indians on the Tonawanda and Buffalo Creek Reservations shall give up their lands, and be concentrated on the Cattaraugus Reservation. This last named reservation, comprising some fifty odd thousand acres, is sufficiently large for the accommodation of all the red men, and the Friends believe if they can there be collected, and be brought under proper educational and moral supervision, their condition can be vastly improved. The propositions have very generally been favorably received by the Indians, and strong hopes are cherished that all the unhappy difficulties which have existed for the past few years will be amicably and finally settled. Of course whatever arrangement may be made must receive the governmental sanction to give it validity, but no opposition we presume will be experienced at that quarter.—*Buffalo Courier.*

The Schenck Merchant, left this part this morning, laden with pork, flour, lard, &c.—The reason was that he had no more to take, that passed a handsome order of appearance than the Merchant, also having this spring, judiciously made through Europe, by having new built-wares, railing, &c., contracted, and having received such a large amount of the public's patronage, he has been "good as new." We hope she may reap a rich profit for her owner. She is commanded by Capt. P. M. Hubbard, an able and fine sea captain, and having the quality of any craft that precludes her capture in the event of a blockade.

From the Charleston Mercury.  
Charleston April 24.  
AFFAIRS OF CONFESSION.—Our town has been the scene of one of the most deplorable fires that it has ever known. It occurred on Wednesday morning at 1 o'clock, and burned until daylight, consuming the most beautiful and business part of Columbia. Twenty-nine stores and dwellings, with numerous out-buildings are in ruins. The loss in buildings and goods cannot fall short of \$300,000. It is said to have originated in a watchman's shop.

**MARRIED.**—On the 19th inst., in North Carolina, by John Dunbar, Esq., Mr. John Smith, of the County of Anson, to Miss Mary Ann Smith, of the County of Anson. A. B. Smith, Minister of the Gospel, officiating.

[With the above notice are received a slight sprinkling of the wedding feast, for which we return our compliments and wishes for their increasing felicity.]

**PHOTOGRAPH AND MINIATURE PAINTING!!**  
The public are invited to call at H. R. Caldwell's New Store, on stairs.  
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